



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 1083**

January Session, 2013



**AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAID COST SAVINGS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force  
2 to identify best practices concerning Medicaid cost savings.

3 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

4 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,  
5 including a member of the Connecticut Hospital Association and a  
6 physician who treats Medicaid patients;

7 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate,  
8 including a representative of the for-profit nursing home industry and  
9 a representative of the not-for-profit nursing home industry;

10 (3) One representative of the home health care industry appointed  
11 by the majority leader of the House of Representatives;

12 (4) One Medicaid recipient appointed by the majority leader of the  
13 Senate;

14 (5) One member appointed by the minority leader of the House of  
15 Representatives;

16 (6) One member appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;

17 (7) The Commissioner of Social Services or the Commissioner's  
18 designee;

19 (8) Two persons appointed by the Governor; and

20 (9) A chairperson and ranking member from the joint standing  
21 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
22 relating to human services.

23 (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),  
24 (2), (3), (4), (5), (6) or (9) of subsection (b) of this section may be a  
25 member of the General Assembly.

26 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than  
27 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be  
28 filled by the appointing authority.

29 (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president  
30 pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force  
31 from among the members of the task force. At least one such  
32 chairperson shall be a member of the joint standing committee of the  
33 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human  
34 services. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the task  
35 force, which shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective  
36 date of this section.

37 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the  
38 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human  
39 services shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

40 (g) In order to carry out its duties under this section, the task force  
41 may raise funds, apply for and accept any public or private grant  
42 money, accept contributions, enter into contracts and, within available  
43 resources, hire any necessary consultants. The task force shall seek any  
44 funding or support available pursuant to the Affordable Care Act, P.L.  
45 111-148, as amended from time to time, and may contract with a health  
46 care consultant to provide a comprehensive review of successful

47 efforts nationwide to achieve savings in Medicaid programs.

48 (h) Not later than January 1, 2014, the task force shall submit a  
49 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing  
50 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
51 relating to human services and appropriations and the budget of state  
52 agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the  
53 general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date that it  
54 submits such report or January 1, 2014, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

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*Joint Favorable Subst. C/R*

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